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Sir:

This Reply is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2001, in the above-noted matter which set a three-month period for reply. It is submitted on or before its current due date of July 30, 2001, together with a three-month extension of time. Consideration of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

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**AMENDMENTS** 

Please cancel claims 16, 17 and 18 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1 and 7 to read as follows; a marked-up version is attached

herewith: